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HOUSTON STEERS High Choice and Prime 2 3 1340 1600 lbs 61.50 63.50 full 57.50 Choice 2 3 1230 1600 lbs 55.00 59.00 few up to 61.75 Select and low Choice 1 3 1260 1580 lbs 54.00 57.75 Select 1 2 1130 1405 lbs 51.00-53.50 Standard 1 2 1120 1320 lbs 48.25 51.50 few heavy 1630 1740 lbs 49.75

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS Choice 3 4 1220 1320 lbs 68.00 69.50 Select and low Choice 2 3 1305 1360 lbs 67.00-69.00 Heiferettes Few Commercial 2 4 1230 1370 56.00 63.00

SLAUGHTER COWS PERCENT IFAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75 80 Over 1400 lbs 37.50 43.25 33.25 37.00 Boners 80 85 Over 1200 lbs 35.50 38.00 32.00 35.50 Lean (Hi Yield) 85 88 Over 1200 lbs 33.25 35.50 31.00 33.00 Lean 88 90 Over 1000 lbs 30.50 33.50 27.00 30.50 Lean (Light Wt) 85 90 750 1000 lbs 27.50 30.25 23.00 27.50 SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1110 2005 lbs

41.00 50.00 high dressing 56.50 57.00 low dressing 35.00 42.75 Yield Grade 2 1220 1825 lbs 42.25-46.75 low dressing 39.75-41.50 Bullocks Select 1-2 1305 1490 lbs 45.50-49.00

CAI VES Compared to Monday veal calves sold with a higher undertone Holstein bull calves returning to the farm sold sharply lower in relatively inactive bidding Due to the light run of heifers on Monday a trend was not available However a higher undertone was noted The supply included 389 head in the state graded sale with around 81 percent of the graded run going back on feed

VI ALI RS Couple Choice 125 130 lbs 61.00 62.00 Standard and Good 85 125 lbs 35.00 45.00 Utility 60 110 lbs 15.00 25.00

RI TURN I D TO FARM Graded Number One Holstein bulls 95 125 lbs 60.00 90.00 package 91 lbs 65.00 package 87 lbs 70.00 package 82 lbs 70.00 Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95 125 lbs 57.00 75.00 90 lbs 40.00 50.00 package 83 lbs 35.00 Holstein heifers 95 115 lbs 240.00 480.00 90 lbs 370.00 397.00 85 lbs 160.00 210.00 80 lbs 150.00 190.00 Planer type heifers 95 110 lbs 230.00 340.00 80 lbs 140.00 150.00 75 lbs 40.00 100.00 70 lbs 50.00 120.00

SHI EP and LAMB S Compared to Monday's very good run all classes old near steady as the holiday demand continues to be very supportive to the market

SLAUGHTER LAMB S Choice and Prime 2 3 30 40 lbs 220.00 275.00 few 165.00 195.00 40 50 lbs 100.00 170.00 few 200.00 290.00 50 60 lbs 90.00 145.00 few up to 140.00 fancy individual 190.00 60 70 lbs 100.00 120.00 70 80 lbs 95.00 110.00 package 92.00 fancy package 120.00 80 90 lbs

83.00-96.00, fancy packages 104.00-112.00 90 100 lbs 85.00 98.00, 100 110 lbs 90.00 100.00 115- 130 lbs 80.00 90.00, package 100.00 145 155 lbs 75.00 87.00

SLAUGHTER FWFS Good and Choice Yearlings and 2 year olds 115 145 lbs 44.00 59.00 few 180 185 lbs 30.00 32.00 couple 265 280 lbs 27.00 36.00 Few Utility and Good 1 3 65 100 lbs 25.00-35.00 GOATS Compared to Monday kids and yearling were not well tested due to the light supply of small goats. Large Bit lies continue to sell very well due to very good buyer demand However demand for the larger Nannies has tapered off somewhat as prices are failing to reach 100.00 for the Selection 1's Kids Selection 1 20 40 lbs 40.00 50.00 40 70 lbs 55.00 70.00

Selection 2 30 40 lbs 25.00 45.00 40 70 lbs 45.00 55.00 Selection 3 20 40 lbs 18.00 40.00 Year lings Selection 1 50 80 lbs 45.00 70.00 80 110 lbs 65.00 80.00 Selection 2 50 80 lbs 40.00 65.00 Selection 3 35 60 lbs 30.00 45.00

Nannies Selection 1 50 70 lbs 50.00 60.00 70 100 lbs 62.00 75.00 100 140 lbs 72.00 85.00 Selection 2 50 70 lbs 40.00 50.00 70 100 lbs 46.00 64.00 100 140 lbs 70.00 80.00 Selection 3 50 70 lbs 26.00 40.00 70 100 lbs 30.00 45.00

Wethers 70 100 lbs 85.00 91.00 100 175 lbs 95.00

Bulbs Selection 1 100 150 lbs 101.00 137.00 150 250 lbs 145.00 220.00

Selection 2 70 100 lbs 50.00 65.00 100 150 lbs 65.00 92.00 150 250 lbs 115.00 130.00

Selection 3 100 150 lbs 90.00 100.00

Lancaster County

Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa Report supplied by USDA Friday, December 20, 2002

Table with columns: THIS WEEK, LAST WEEK, LAST YEAR, CAI VES, CAI VES

CAI VES Compared to last week slaughter steers opened firm to 1.00 higher but by the end of the week prices trended 50 1.00 lower The early week runs included the normal reputation cattle that buyers were readily procur ing However by weeks end the supply became very mixed as several over finished and heavy weight cattle were trucked to town Buyers were willing to procure the Yield Grade 4's and 5's and the heavyweights but at a discount The Board was very sporadic this week although when the dust settled February live cattle futures closed at 78.57 on Thursday after closing at over 79.00 on Monday Large steer runs continue to be bountiful as over 650 head were on offer Thursday although bidding is only moderate as Christmas and New Year's will mean two holiday shortened weeks The Western direct feed yard trade is lined up to move steers 1.00 lower this week with the bulk of the live sales coming in at mostly 72.00 as of Thursday night Holstein steers sold firmer this week with a very good run on Thursday trading nice high Choice and Prime steers up to 63.50 Slaughter heifer runs were very light this week with the few sales trending with a weaker undertone Lean slaughter cows sold mostly weak to 1.50 lower with Breaking and Bone ing cows trading steady to weak Cows just keep coming out of the woodwork in Lancaster County with the demand doing its best to keep up with the heavy supply The bulk of the large runs are comprised of lean cows with the fletcher supply trading a little better due to lighter supplies and very good demand Slaughter bulls were mixed although the bulk of the runs sold firm to 2.00 higher with instances sharply higher on a run that included over 100 head on Thursday This week's reported sup ply included 36 percent steers 5 per cent heifers 42 percent cows 7 per cent bulls with the balance feeders

SLAUGHTER STEERS High Choice and Prime 2 4 1215 1470 lbs 73.00 77.00 up to 78.50 on Tuesday couple Yield Grade 5 69.75 70.75 late Thursday is 70.50 72.00

Choice 2 3 1205 1480 lbs 71.00 75.00 several Yield Grade 4 to mostly 5 64.00 67.75 with a package at 60.00 high dressing Yield Grade 1 2 ind Charolais X's 75.25 78.50 with one very fancy 1130 lb individual at 81.50 heavy 1495 1640 lbs 62.50 69.25 Select and low Choice 2 3 1160 1490 lbs 68.75 73.50 full 65.00 69.50 Select 1 2 1150 1470 lbs

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65.00 70.00, up to 72.50 on Tuesday full 63.00 65.00 heavy 1500 1700 lbs 57.00-64.00 Standard 1 2 1115 1480 lbs 63.00-67.75 with a few returning to feed 67.00 71.00

HOUSTON STEERS High Choice and Prime 2 3 1340 1600 lbs 59.50 63.50 full 57.50 Choice 2 3 1230 1650 lbs 55.00 59.00 few up to 61.75 Select and low Choice 1 3 1260 1580 lbs 54.00-57.75 few 1655 lbs 52.75 Select 1 2 1130 1585 lbs 50.00 53.50 Standard 1 2 1120 1320 lbs 48.25 51.50 few heavy 1630 1740 lbs 49.75

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS High Choice and Prime 2 4 1125 1320 lbs 71.00 74.75 Choice 2 3 1000 1455 lbs 67.25-69.50 Select and low Choice 2 3 1000 1455 lbs 64.50-69.00 Heiferettes Few Commercial 2 4 1230 1370 56.00 63.00

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SLAUGHTER BULLS Yield Grade 1 1015 2030 lbs 43.00 50.00 high dressing 53.00 58.00 very fancy individual 63.00 low dressing 33.00 42.75 Yield Grade 2 1125 1845 lbs 42.00 46.75 low dressing 39.75 41.50 Bullocks Select 1 2 1305 1490 lbs 45.50 49.00 Young package of Holsteins going back to the farm 915 1055 lbs 45.00 56.00 couple 740 760 lbs 36.50 42.00

CAI VES Compared to last week veal calves sold steady to 5.00 lower in early week trading trending with a higher undertone late due to good demand Holstein bull calves returning to feed sold sharply lower all week Demand is definitely lightening as finished prices are currently in the 190.00 range It was only a month or two ago that producers were sending contracted finished calves to packers at around 225.00 Holstein heifers sold with a lower undertone in early week trading trending with a higher undertone late

VI AL Couple Choice 125 130 lbs 61.00 62.00 Standard and Good 75 125 lbs 15.00 45.00 Utility 50 110 lbs 11.00 25.00 few 10.00 CAI VES RI TURNING TO THE FARM

Monday Holstein bulls 95 125 lbs 92.00 107.00 90 lbs 87.00 80 85 lbs 70.00 90.00 80 lbs 60.00 Planer type bulls 95 115 lbs 60.00 90.00 85 lbs 40.00 48.00 75 lbs 30.00 Few Holstein heifers 95 130 lbs 330.00 395.00 90 lbs 200.00 80 lbs 170.00 65 lb Jersey 90.00

Tuesday Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 95 125 lbs 102.00 127.00 pkg 90 lbs 100.00 pkg 85 lbs 85.00 pkg 80 lbs 65.00 Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95 125 lbs 50.00 85.00 couple packages 90 lbs 62.00 77.00 three packages 83 lbs 40.00 50.00 Holstein bulls sold individually 130 185 lbs 35.00 55.00

Individual beef bull 90 lbs 50.00 Graded Number One Holstein Heifers package 102 lbs 375.00 package 93 lbs 410.00 package 84 lbs 200.00 Number Two Holstein Heifers package 104 lbs 370.00 package 91 lbs 310.00 couple packages 82 83 lbs 165.00 175.00 pack

age 72 lbs 120.00 few 63 lbs 95.00 Few black beef heifers sold individually 230 260 lbs 60.00-65.00

Thursday Graded Number One Holstein bulls 95 125 lbs 60.00 90.00 package 91 lbs 65.00 package 87 lbs 70.00 package 82 lbs 70.00 Graded Number Two Holstein bulls 95 125 lbs 57.00 75.00 90 lbs 40.00 50.00 package 83 lbs 35.00

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Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa Report supplied by PDA Thursday, Dec 19, 2002

CAI VES 254 COWS UNEVENLY STEADY HOUSTON STEERS CHOICE 2 3 ONE 1460 185 52.25 SELECT 1 2 ONE 47.75 HEIFERS CHOICE 1-3 ONE 1265 185 64.75 STANDARD 1 2 ONE 44.00

COWS BREAKERS 75 80 1EAN 33.50 38.50 SEVERAL HIGH YIELDING INDIVIDUALS UP TO 43.75 BONERS 80 85 1EAN 32.25 37.25 LOW DRESSING DOWN TO 30.00 1EAN 85 90 1EAN 28.00 34.00 WITH A FEW HIGH YIELDING UP TO 36.75 SHEEPS 27.25 AND DOWN

BULLS YIELD GRADE 1 COUPLE 1710 & 2135 185 46.25 & 47.25 YG2 1EAN 1120/1775 185 40.50 46.75

FEDDER CATTLE STEERS M1 ONE 815 60.00 M&I 2 COUPLE 405 & 445 61.00

HEIFERS M&I COUPLE 280 & 455 68.00 & 76.00 740/840 72.50 73.25 1 3 HOUSTON ONE 455 91.00 BULLS M&I 1EAN 250/330 80.00 87.50 ONE 500 66.00

CAI VES 322 STANDARD & GOOD 70/115 185 30.00 50.00 UTILITY 55/85 185 10.00 30.00 LAMB CAI VES HOUSTON BULLS 5.00 10.00 LOWER NO 1 BULLS 90/125 185 85.00 122.50 MONTHLY 95.00 115.00 80/90 85.00 75.00 NO 2 BULLS 80/130 185 50.00 90.00 HOUSTON HEIFERS NO 1 HEIFERS 1EAN 90/95 185 280.00 350.00 NO 2 65/105 185 120.00 250.00 BEEF CROSS BULLS AND HEIFERS 1EAN 85/100 185 85.00 147.50

HOGS 4 BARROW & GILT ONE 45 50 1EAN 200 185 24.00 40.45 1EAN ONE 340 185 2300 US 1 455 & 570 185 20.00 & 23.00

FEDDER PIGS 0 NO MARKET TEST SHEEP 0 NO MARKET TEST

GOATS 2 KIDS SELECTION ONE 30 1EAN 20.00 BEEVES ONE 80 1EAN 72.00

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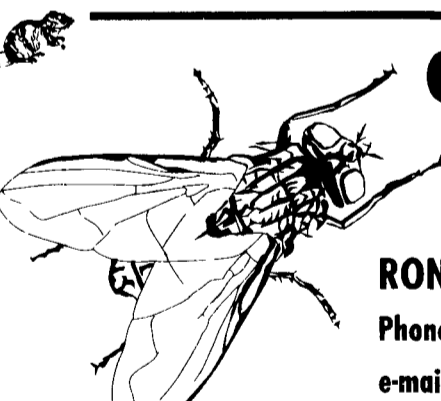
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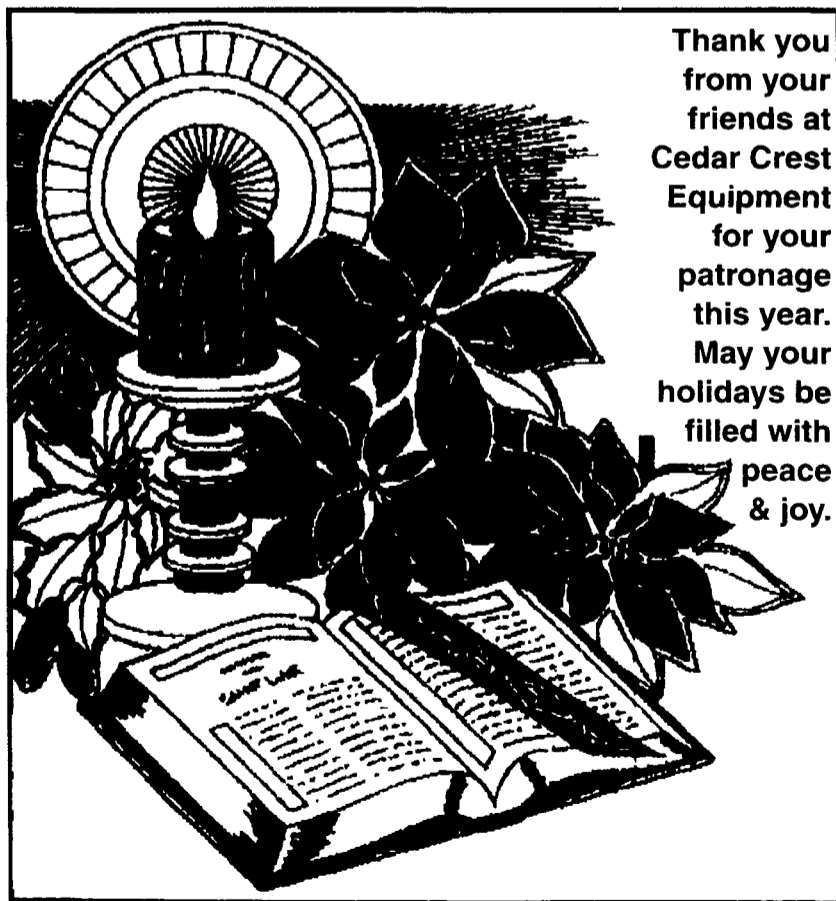
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